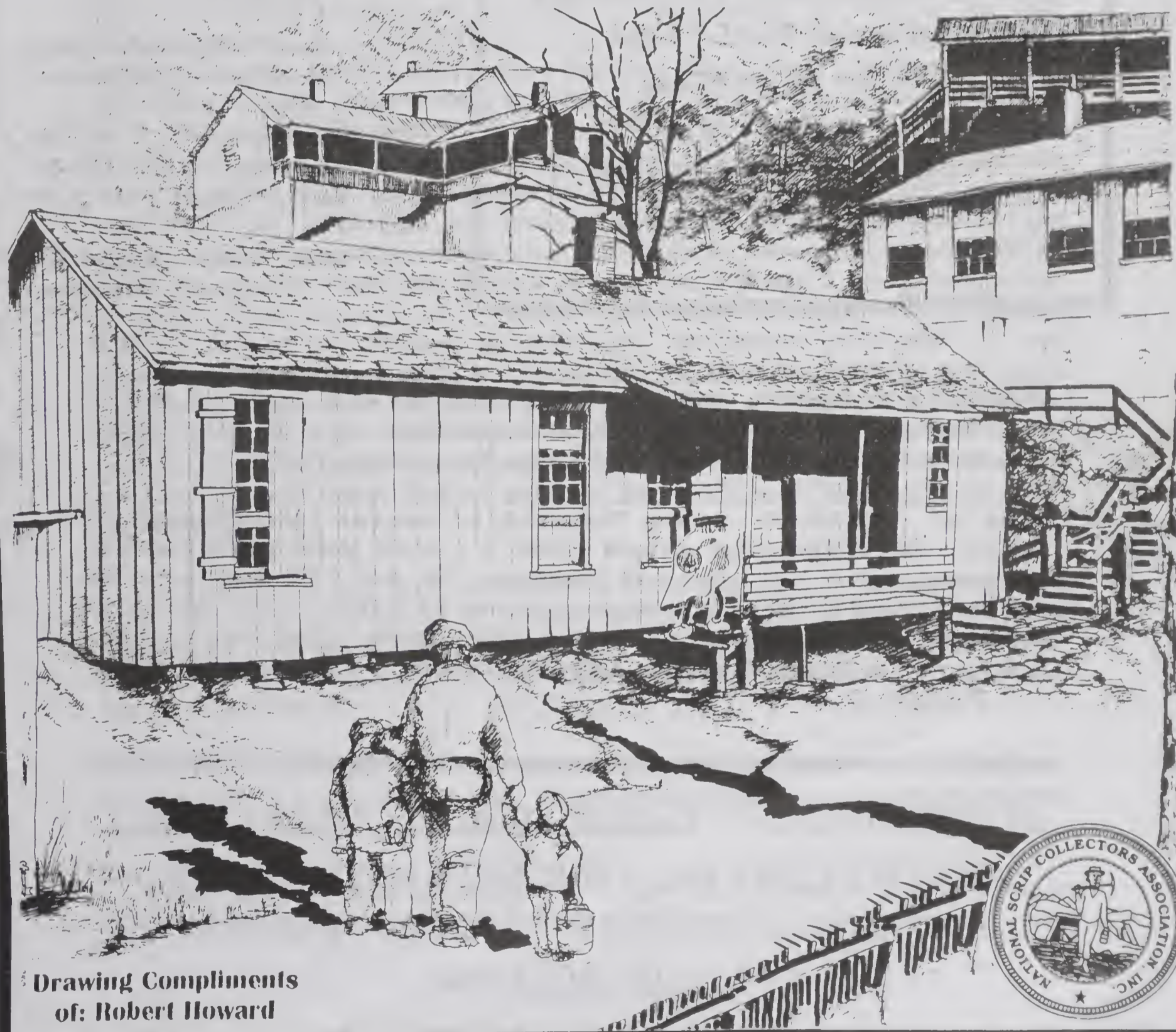


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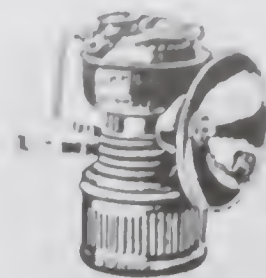
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## JOHN'S JOTTINGS

With the holidays just around the corner, deadlines have been tight to beat the anticipated delays in the mail. **HAPPY HOLIDAYS.**

The results of the balloting are now final with both amendments passing. See the **NEW FLASH** on page 11 for the results.

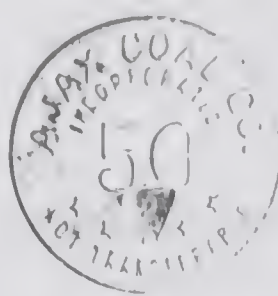
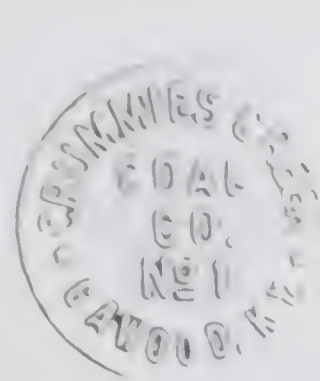
Several comments were sent to yours truly regarding justification for the dues increase, with several members expressing concerns for increasing dues while the organization has a net worth in the \$20,000.00 range. The first of the revised Edkin's Catalogues is projected to be available for sale by the May convention, with an anticipated cost of the funds currently in the catalog account being expended. Within one year from that date (May, 1995), we are planning to have either or both of the revised West Virginia volume or the lumber book ready for printing also. As soon as our annual audit is completed in early January, 1995, our complete financial status will be known and published in the February issue of *SCRIP TALK*. At that time, we will know exactly how much it costs to produce *SCRIP TALK*, the cost involved to conduct the mail auction, and the overall cost to operate the organization. Preliminary estimates presented at the October convention indicated that the current cost to produce the revised format of *SCRIP TALK*, and expenses paid to Walter Caldwell, slightly exceeded the \$10.00 charged per member for their dues. We already know that a 3 cent increase in first class postage is scheduled to go into effect with the next issue. Additionally, funds in the separate **LIFE MEMBERSHIP** account generates interest annually. These funds will be applied to the General Fund to compensate for the loss of the Life Members annual membership fee. Please write or call either Lois or Elesa if you would like to arrange for a payment plan for your **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**.

A possible bus charter is being considered to transport members in the East from the Beckley, WV area to Marion, Ill, the location of the 1995 Spring convention. Beckley is approximately the half way point for me, and appears to be a good deal. See page 9 for additional information concerning the proposed bus trip to Marion, Il.

Currently "proposed" sites for the following three conventions are Bluefield, WV, Pikeville, KY, and Hazard, KY. Please submit your ideas on other possible locations to members of the Executive Committee.

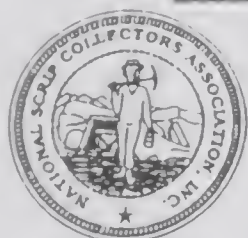
Please note the slate of prospective officers for the election to take place in February. They will take office at the May convention.

John J. Podgurski



## MAIL BID SALE 94-4 RESULTS

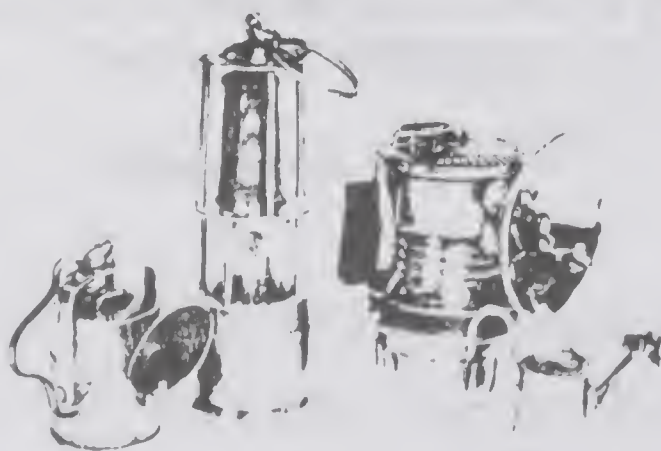
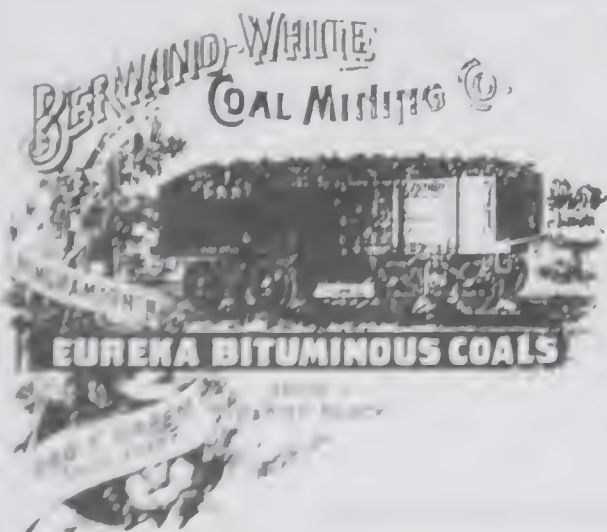
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## COMMENTS FROM THE STUMP



The voice of democracy was heard for the fourth time with the vote to approve the change in the Constitution and By-laws and to raise the membership dues. However, the most important test will come with the election of officers for 1994. In this edition of SCRIP TALK you will be given the opportunity to review who are candidates for office, and if elected, will represent your views for the next two years. Remember, any organization is only as good as the representatives elected to administer the rules of the organization. Take a long, hard, and critical look at the candidates running for office. Check into their record of service to the NSCA, Inc. and then cast your vote. As I have said many times, **YOUR VOTE DOES COUNT, AND YOU ARE THE NSCA, INC.**





## LIFE MEMBER NUMBER ELEVEN

Mr. Richard Bottles, 589 S. Pike Street, Shinnston, WV 26431, has joined the ranks of the NSCA, Inc's elite supporters as LIFE MEMBER number eleven.

Remember, becoming a life member in the NSCA, Inc. is a great investment for you as well as for the NSCA, Inc.

### NEW MEMBERS

The following individuals are welcomed to the ranks of the NSCA, Inc.:

1704. Alice Matheson  
1405-A Lakewood Drive  
Columbus, OH 43204  
(Elwood Maples)

1709. Ron Miller  
1216 Glenwick Dr.  
Logansport, In 46947  
(Doug Bumgardner)

1705. Randall Rohe  
U. W. W. 1500 University Dr.  
Waukesha, WI 53188

1710. James Boswell  
P. O. Box 428  
Gambrillis, MD 21054-0428  
(Harold Snodgrass)

1706. Lennie Hanner  
P. O. Box 96  
Valier, IL 62891  
(Elesa Ballard)

1711. George Nelson  
P. O. Box 342  
Canaan, ME 04924-0342  
(Joe Feazell)

1707. Eric Deal  
116 Maryland St.  
Morgantown, WV 26505

1712. Dwight Isom  
1100 College Avenue  
Bristol, TN 37620  
(Fennie Thacker)

1708. Ronald Corwin  
P. O. Box 17  
Ridesville, WV 26588  
(Frank Surina)

1713. John Etheredge 2310  
Adult Diagnostic & Treatment Center  
8 Production Way  
Avenel, NJ 07001-1628  
(John Podugerski)

### LAST CHANCE TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP DUES AT THE OLD RATE OF \$10.00

When January 1, 1995 arrives, the membership dues in the NSCA, Inc. will be increased to \$15.00 per year. Therefore, it would be to your advantage to renew your membership now and take advantage of the saving. Better yet, sign up for LIFE MEMBERSHIP at \$200.00 and save \$100.00 over the 1995 rate.



# **IMPORTANT NEWS, GOSSIP, AND OTHER "CHIT CHAT"**

## **PHANTON CLAUS**



This is the last time you will hear from the staff of *SCRIP TALK* for 1994. The Phantom and I extend our best to everyone in "Scripville" for a very merry Christmas and the best of new years. May a host of R-10's find their way under your tree. If any Harlan County R-10's mistakenly find their way under your tree, let me know and I'll end the service of the Phantom and look for another helper for 1995.

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### **HIGH RATED TOKENS NEEDED FOR MAY FLOOR AUCTION**

By: W. C. Stump

As the frigid winter weather approaches his West Virginia abode, my friend Jim Thompson has made his yearly pilgrimage to his winter home in Florida to await the warm rays of summer. Jim will be preparing for the Spring Floor Auction, to be held in Marion, IL, on May 6, 1995. He has asked that all auction material be sent to him at the following address:

James W. Thompson  
75300 Overseas Hwy.  
Islamorada, FL 33036  
305-664-8561

NOTE: Jim has requested that ONLY tokens rated R-8 or above be sent for the 1995 Spring Floor Auction. He also needs high quality coal related lamps and other mine artifacts.

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### **SYMPATHY EXTENDED**

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Scriptor G. E. Hutchinson by all over the loss of his wife, Gloria Opal Hutchinson on October 13, 1994.

John Sebo, Member 992, passed away in June, 1994. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his wife and family. John had been a member of our organization since February 1982.

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## ***SPRING MEETING - MARION, ILLINOIS***

The NSCA' Inc.'s Spring meeting will be held May 5-6, 1995, at the Holiday Inn, Marion, IL, "The meeting Place of Southern Illinois", and is located adjacent to Highway 57. If driving from Paducah, Ky., it is only a 45 minute drive. This meeting will be hosted by Mark and Elesa Ballard who promises a great weekend of fun and excitement for all in attendance. They have already reserved a block of rooms, all on the ground floor with no stairs to climb, and the Embers Restaurant, located in the Holiday Inn, offers "fine cuisine with impeccable service seven days a week." All the rooms are priced at \$45.00 and have double beds. The area features a host of attractions for everyone. Six fast food restaurants are located within three minutes of the motel. The area has a large number of antique shops within driving distance of the motel.

This is the first time a meeting has been held in this area of the country. It is "virgin" territory for both scrip and lamp collectors, and many members of NSCA, Inc. reside in the area. Marion is located in the heart of the Illinois coal fields.

In the February issue of *SCRIP TALK*, a further update will be featured on the this meeting, and a map detailing all routes to Marion will be included.

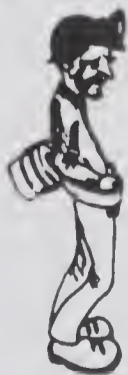
To reserve your room, call 800-648-4467 - Business office 618-997-2326 - FAX 618-993-6984. It is very important that all reservation be made by no later than April 24, 1995.

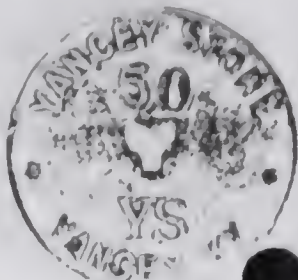
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## **20TH ANNIVERSARY MEDALLION SETS FOUND IN CLOSET OF THE JANITOR**

By W. C. Stump

Earlier in the year, when former Editor, Walter Caldwell, and his sidekick, the "Janitor", were cleaning house after the transfer of duties to the new Interim Editor, a small quantity of 20th Anniversary medallion sets, originally produced in a limited production of only 50 sets, and a small number of the bronze 20th Anniversary medallions, of which only 200 were produced, were discovered in the closet of the "Janitor." These rare sets were passed to President John Podurski and to me at the Morgantown, WV meeting. Now these rare medallion 5 piece sets, featuring the rare .999 silver medalion, and the bronze 20th medallions, will be offered for one final time at the original price they were sold for in 1992. If you didn't get one of these very rare medallion sets in 1992, don't let the opportunity pass you by in 1994. They are featured on the Memorabilia order form in this issue of *SCRIP TALK* for only \$60.00.





# CATALOGUE COMMITTEE RULES ON STATUS OF YANCY STORE SCRIP

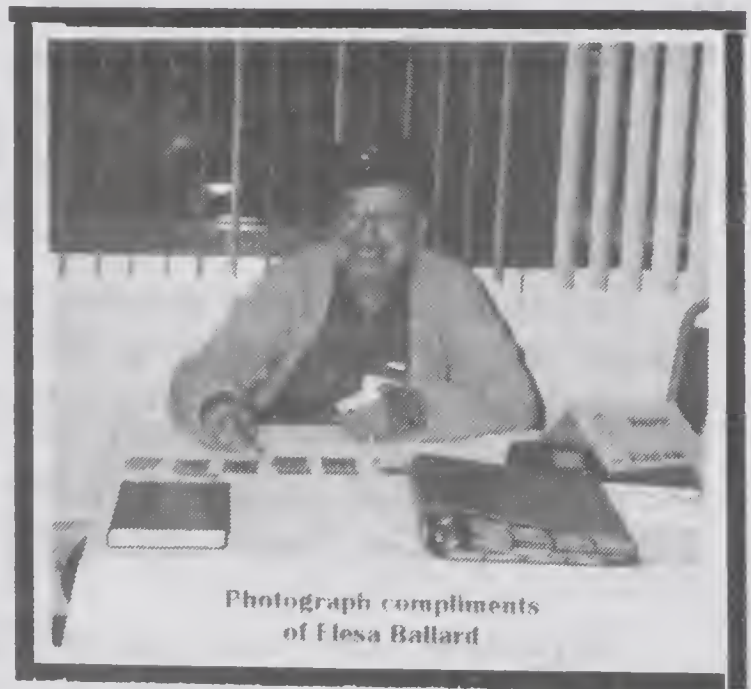
The Catalog Committee will be changing the rating of KY3109 scrip, D25 to R-3, D50 to R-3, and D100 to R-5. According to Catalog Chairman, Mr. Bill Williams, the new rating will be reflected in the upcoming edition of Edkins Catalog. This change was prompted by the recent hoard reported earlier in the year.

## FAREWELL TO A FRIEND

By: W. C. Stump

On October 18, 1994, Lester Bernstein, Charleston, WV, died of heart problems. He was self employed and a member of B'Nai Synagogue, Charleston. He was a Native of Plainfield, N.J., and a Navy veteran of World War II.

Surviving: Son, Alan of Charleston; sister Beatrice of Somerset, N.J.; grandchildren, Andrew and Caroline, both of Charleston. The collector world lost a long time friend, and I personally lost a friend of over twenty years.



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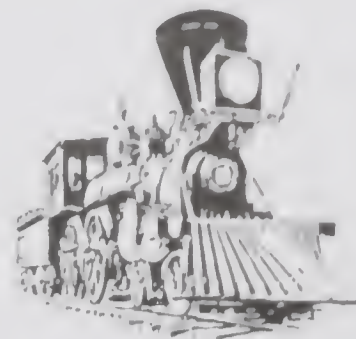
I met Lester in the early 1970's when I was an avid gun collector. I attended the Ohio Gun Collector's Association gun shows in Columbus, Ohio, and remember quite well the first time I met Lester. He had a table in the rear of the Veteran's Memorial Coliseum display hall. He was displaying high grade U. S. military firearms from the Revolutionary War period. What struck me as very unusual was that he was wearing a cloth coal miners cap, complete with an oil wick lamp. He had a small hand written sign on his table stating that he wanted to buy coal mining lamps. We conversed for a while about his two interests, and I learned that he collected a wide variety of items ranging from antiques guns, medals, political badges to mining lamps and Jewish gold coins, to name a few. His personal collection is known for being one of the best assembled, rivaling many museums. Over the years, we became friends, always meeting at the gun shows, and in 1985, I was surprised to see him at my first NSCA scrip convention. Even though we were friends, he was a ruthless competitor in the collector market. I was always a "day late and a dollar short" when it came to "butting heads" with a true legend in his own time. However, Lester always took the time to share his expert knowledge about the items he collected. I know that I will miss his wit and beaming smile, and future NSCA, Inc. meetings won't be the same without his presence. He was a one-of-a-kind personality now lost to history. Good-bye old friend, and may you rest in peace forever.



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## A BUS RIDE WEST TO MARION



By: W. C. Stump

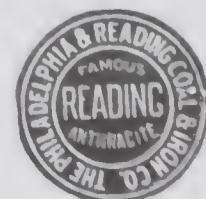
For many scriptors living in the Eastern part of the county, Marion, IL is the far away "Old West". In short, it's a long drive. For Example, the travel time for Harold Snodgrass and other WV scriptors, driving from their home base to Marion, Il. is approximately eight hours driving time. Mark Ballard can attest to this as he has driven this route many times over the years. For some of us older scriptors, some with infirmities, such a drive would prove difficult, to say the least. This will be the only drawback and obstacle to overcome for these collectors wishing to attend this coming Spring meeting. This problem was discussed at the Morgantown, WV, meeting in early October, and Vice-President Jim Thompson, and Scriptor Tom Shook, came up with a great idea of chartering a bus to eliminate the driving time from the East to the West, and back.

I have contacted various charter bus services and have been given a great price by Gold State Tours, based in Beckley, WV, to provide us a great 4 day "Western Excursion". The total price is only \$2,146.00. The bus trip will start out in the Beckley, WV, area, proceed westward picking up scriptors along the way. To make this a success, we need at least 35 scriptors to make the trip, each paying a share of the expenses (approximately \$61.00 each). (With 30 scriptors it would cost \$71.00 per person.) To assure that we can get the schedule we need, we must make a commitment with the bus company no later than Jan. 1, 1995. Therefore, you need to confirm your intention to me no later than December 31, 1994 by sending your payment of \$61.00. One can't drive this distance and back for \$61.00. If we don't get enough scriptors to make the trip possible, your payment will be returned by Jan. 1, 1995.

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### PROGRESS REPORT ON THE RELEASE DATE OF THE 3RD EDITION OF EDKINS CATALOGUE

Mr. Bill Williams, Chairman of the Book Committee, reports that the proposed release of the new 3rd edition of *Edkins Catalogue of Coal Company Scrip* should coincide with the Marion Show in early May, 1995. Final work is in progress at this time on the long awaited publication.



# **ELECTION 1995**

## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

**By: D. Mark Ballard, Chairman  
Crawford Blakeman  
Harold Snodgress**

The following is the final list of members of the NSCA, Inc. who have been nominated and agreed to serve on the Executive Committee for 1995 until 1997. Their names will be placed on the election ballot to be submitted for final vote in February, 1995. Feel free to contact these candidates and have them voice their opinion on any point of concern. This will give you an insight as to how they will serve if elected, and you will know in advance their thoughts on issues that are of concern to you. In short, if you want to know their views on any subject, **ASK THEM NOW**. Don't wait until after the election to complain.

Only the position of President and the three positions of Vice-President will be contested. The positions of Secretary, Treasurer, and General Counsel will be unopposed. The position of Editor received no nominations and will be filled by appointment by the new President in May, 1995.

All candidates are urged to submit a brief statement on their views concerning how they will serve the NSCA, Inc. if elected. These statements will be printed in the February issue of *SCRIP TALK* with the mail ballots.

### **PRESIDENT**

**John J. Podgurski  
24 Hemlock Lane  
Elysburg, PA 17824  
Life Member No. 8  
(717) 672-9725**

**William C. Stump  
P. O. Box 444  
Loyall, KY 40854  
Life Member No. 2  
(606) 573-6868**

### **VICE-PRESIDENTS**

**(THREE POSITIONS TO BE FILLED)**

**Walter Fletcher  
P. O. Box 618  
Pikeville, KY 41502  
Member No. 1575  
(606) 432-4528**

**Tom Shook  
724 Bucknell Ave.  
Johnstown, PA 15905  
Member No. 0408  
(814) 535-4686**

**James W. Thompson  
75300 Overseas Hwy.  
Islamorada, FL 33036  
Life Member No. 1  
(305) 664-8561**

## **VICE-PRESIDENT NOMINATIONS CONTINUED**

**Claude Travis, Jr.**  
**3599 Merle Travis Highway**  
**Beechmont, KY 42323**  
**Member No. 0592**  
**(502) 476-2331**

**Dave Whisman**  
**295 Armory Road**  
**Prestonsburg, KY 41653**  
**Life Member No. 4**  
**(606) 886-6065**

### **SECRETARY**

**Lois Smith**  
**P. O. Box 67**  
**Sophia, WV 25921**  
**Member No. 1399**  
**(304) 683-5455**

### **TREASURER**

**Elesa Ballard**  
**1204 Anderson Drive**  
**Marion, IL 62959**  
**Member 1677**  
**(618) 993-8482**

### **GENERAL COUNSEL**

**The Honorable Steve Cawood**  
**P. O. Box 280**  
**Pineville, KY 40977**  
**Member 0300R**  
**(606) 337-6622**

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## **NEWS FLASH**

For the fourth time since the ratification of the Constitution and By-laws in May, 1994, the membership has been given the right to decide changes in the rules that govern our Association. The latest vote revised the constitution, raised the membership dues to \$15.00, and raised the life membership dues to \$300.00. The members voting for the change in the Constitution were 52 for, 9 against, and one ballot was sent in with no vote. The members voting to raise the dues from \$10.00 to \$15.00 were 40 in favor and 22 against.

I received a telephone call from a member who stated that he didn't vote on the issues presented to him by the Executive Committee. Over 400 members didn't exercise their right to vote either. This member stated that just because he didn't vote, he wanted me to know that his lack of action was a "silent vote supporting the Executive Committee". He said if he had wanted to vote against an issue, he would have mailed in his ballot. I can only assume that the other members that didn't vote also felt the same way.

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## **N.S.C.A. FREE ADS FOR MEMBERS**

**Free Ads** are available to NSCA members at no charge. The only requirements being that they be limited to 4 lines, one ad per issue and no auctions. You may send up to four different ads in one mailing. Deadline for Free Ads is three weeks after the postmark of the current issue of SCRIP TALK. All ads received after the deadline will be held for the following issue. No ad will rerun automatically, each issue will require a separate request. Paid ads should be sent to **SCRIP TALK** Editor and NOT the Free Ad Editor. **SEND ALL FREE ADS TO Steve Ratliff, NSCA Free Ad Editor, 3450 Riverview Drive, Pace, Florida 32571-9323** {Note: + at the end of your ad indicates you need to renew it.)

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**WANTED: IOWA TRADE TOKENS** of all kinds for my collection. Also want rectangular cardboard good for tokens from all states. Send price and description to **Dan Anderson, P.O. Box 2752, Iowa City, IA 52244 +**

**WANTED - LYONS STORE SCRIP** from Lyonsville, WV. **Loyd Lyons, 3529 Hawkins Avenue, Sanford, NC 27330 +**

**BEAUTIFUL AND COLORFUL HUNDRED** year Old Government Revenue Certificates. \$3.75 Each or 20 Different \$69.50 plus postage. Also Striking Lot of 20 mixed years Christmas Tokens \$4.50. Jenny Lind Tokens wanted. **Frank Sprinkle, 800 Lake Port Blvd., 110 Harris, Leesburg, FL 34748 +**

**WANTED: INDIANA G.A.R. ENCAMPMENT** Medals and Badges. **Gary P. Roessler, P.O. Box 20861, Indianapolis, IN 46220**

**WANTED FOR MY COLLECTION:** Coal Company scrip from Logan County W.Va. I need Fort Branch, Sunbeam, Hetzel, Draper, Kitchen, plus others. I would appreciate your help. **Bill Johnson, 1524 Bolenhill Avenue, Columbus, OH 43229**

**BEST OFFER:** KY coal scrip: 1701A25a; 1751C5a; 1805A50; 1833B100a; 1847A100b; 1969B50; 1605G100; 1651B50; and 1985B5 - B10; 2069A5 - A10 - A25 - B5 - B50. **Bob Kelley, 2689 Cliff Road, North Bend, OH 45052 +**

**FLORIDA TOKENS OF ALL TYPES WANTED** - I will buy or trade for pieces I need. I have coal scrip to trade for Florida. Also, I want Florida wooden TT's with over-prints of fare increases on them. Give me a try & lets make a trade. Send a LSASE and receive a free Florida token and application to join the Florida Token Society. **Steve Ratliff, 3450 Riverview Dr., Pace, FL 32571**

**WANTED: W. M. RITTER LUMBER CO.** 50¢ and 1<sup>00</sup>. **Elvin B. Miller, P.O. Box 366, Topping, VA 23169 +**

**EXPLOSIVE CONTROL TOKENS**, exonomia related to ordnance, ammunition, wanted by private collector. Will buy, sell or trade. Wish to correspond with other collectors with similar interests. **"Ski", 709-A Commercial Avenue, Ridgecrest, CA 93555-4312 +**

**WANTED: SCRIP MACHINES, SCRIP MACHINE CARDS**, and information or catalogs on scrip machines. Please send descriptions, prices and model numbers to: **Alfred J. Bruey, 201 S. Grinnel Street, Jackson, MI 49203 or phone {517} 784-1411 +**

**YOUR FREE AD COULD HAVE BEEN HERE!** Send in your ad today for the next issue. You can send in up to four different ads at one time. Please indicate the order in which they are to be run. **Don't delay - there is a deadline - send your ad in today!**

**NEW WEST VIRGINIA COLLECTOR SEEKS HELP** in updating Edkin's WV volume; specifically with information on one-cent pieces, such as corrections or unlisted pieces **Richard Bottles Jr., 589 South Pike Street, Shinnston, WV 26431**

## ***N.S.C.A. FREE ADS FOR MEMBERS***

**ATTENTION VA. COLLECTORS....**I have *UNLISTED* 2543-B100, Tazwell County, *PLUS* a *RARE AND UNLISTED MERCHANT TOKEN FROM PLASTERO, WASHINGTON COUNTY, VA. SUPER NICE!* What do you have from Kentucky that I can use? *Dave Whishman, 295 Armory Road, Prestonburg, KY 41653 +*

### **CARTHAGE, NEW MEXICO 1960**

By: Bob Werner

My introduction to scrip collecting occurred quite by accident in the Spring of 1960. I was a student at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology and was exploring an area about 22 miles south east of Socorro, NM. The USGS topographic map indicated the town site of Carthage, an abandoned coal mining camp that existed from the early 1860's until the mid 1940's, in the general vicinity of my wanderings. I was several miles off the nearest passable dirt road although other roads had been in the area, but were completely washed out. Climbing over a low ridge I dropped down into a narrow valley and much to my surprise discovered the ruins of an old coal mining camp, Carthage!

Several mine openings and their attendant dumps surrounded the town site which consisted mostly of badly weathered adobe buildings in various stages of collapse. I have always assumed that I was the first one to visit the site in many years because the garbage dumps in the area had not been dug and many unbroken old bottles littered the surface along with a number of damaged, but rather complete, Baldwin, pinch-waist, carbide lamps. The roof on the largest standing adobe building had collapsed into the building, but the remains of the roof proved to be most interesting.

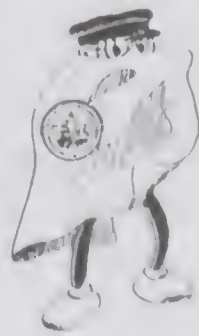
The roof had been tarpapered and the tarpaper nailed down with common box nails driven through the aluminum tokens of the Carthage Mercantile Company. I removed several hundred of the aluminum tokens, leaving hundreds more on this and an adjacent building. The tarpaper was attached predominantly with \$1.00 tokens (Edkin's No. NM495-A100), however many 25¢ and a few 10¢ aluminum tokens were also used. The two fractional tokens are stamped with the identical wording as the \$1.00 tokens, being different only in diameter and denomination. Neither of the fractional tokens are listed in Edkin's Catalogue.

I stashed the tokens away with the bottles and carbide lamps collected at Carthage and it was many years later before I encountered them again and the tokens became the nucleus of my scrip collection. I have never returned to Carthage, but I understand from later students at NMIMT that the dumps have been thoroughly dug and the ugly little tokens with the characteristic nail hole in them are now history.

### **PHANTOM GRAM**

*Scriptor Sodosky recovering from surgery*

Harold "Corkey" Snodgrass reports that Scriptor Steve Sodosky under went surgery on December 1, 1994. He is recovering in a Beckley hospital and has been assured by his doctors that a complete recovery can be expected. At last report, Steve was selling coal company scrip to his nurses. Everyone in Scripville wishes Steve a complete and fast recovery.



**MORE FROM THE HARRY DUNN COLLECTION**  
(SETS REDUCED WITH MINIMUM BIDS)

1. Logmont, KY - Sagamore Coal Co. - KY1665 - B5 through B100	\$150.00
2. Carville, TN - Red Ash Coal - TN501 <del>8</del> L5, K10, L25, L50, L100	\$112.50
3. Tracy City, TN - Tenn. Consol - TN2825 - A5 through A500	\$ 35.00
4. Woolridge, TN Woolridge Jellico - TN3091 - B5, C5, D10, C25, C50, C100	\$112.50

EXPLOSIVE CONTROL TOKENS

5. PA - Kiskiminetas Supply Co. - Good for 5 sticks explosive	K41 - R-B
6. PA - " " " - Good for one exploder	K25 - R-B
7. PA - " " " - Good for one stick powder	K26 - R-A
8. PA - " " " - Good for 10 sticks explosives	K42 - R-B
9. PA - " " " - Good for 25 sticks explosives	K43 - R-B
10. PA - " " " - Good for 1 keg of powder	K45 - R-8
11. PA - " " " - Good for one exploder	K49 - R-A
12. PA - " " " - Good for one stick of powder	K50 - R-A
13. PA - " " " - Good for 41.00 worth powder	K51 - R-A
14. PA - Vesta Coal Co. The No. 4 Mine - Detonators	V10b - R-A
15. UT - Carbon Emory Stores Co. Good for 10 sticks powder	C31a - R-A
16. UT - C. E. S. Co., No. 1 - Good for one exploder	C26 - R-A
17. UT - C. E. S. Co., No. 4 - Good for one exploder	C50 - R-A
18. UT - Mohrland Mercantile Co. - Good for one exploder	M25 - R-A
19. UT - " " " - Good for 5 sticks powder	M35 - R-A
20. VA - Jewel Ridge Coal Corp., Inc. 5 powder	J29 - R-A
21. VA - Pocahontas Fuel Co. - 1 E. 8 Cap	P20 - R-6
22. VA - Pulaski Anthracite Coal Co. - Good for 2 sticks powder	P59 - R-E
23. VA - Svcamore Coal Corp. - Good for one cardox	S35b - R-C
24. WD - W. S. Co. - Good for one exploder	W10 - R-C
25. WA - R. C. C. Co. - Good for powder only	R14 - R-D
26. WV - Page Coal & Coke Co. - 1 exploder	P5b - R-B
27. WV - Imperial Smokeless Corp. - Good for .45 C in explosives	I5 - R-A
28. WV - I. C. C. C. - Explosive check	I20a - R-C
29. WV - New River Pocahontas - 5C & 50C in Mevobr N34 - N36a	- R-A - R-A
30. WV - P. C. C. P. "4" - One stick powder	P26b - R-E

**MORE FROM THE HARRY DUNN COLLECTION CONTINUED**

31. Strawn, TX - Strawn Coal mining Co. - 2701 - B100 (worn)	R-7
32. Peerless, VT - Peerless Store Co. - 2196-A100	R-5
33. Bartlick, VA - Bartlick Mining Corp. - 167-D100b	R-7
34. Big Rock, VA - Buchanan County Coal Corp. - 263-A500	R-7
35. Blackwood, VA - Blackwood C&C Co. - 291-b1 (pitted)	R-6
36. Boissevain, VA - Wilson Bros. 10 cents	
37. Bonny Blue, VA - Blue Diamond Coal Co. - 333-G1a, E500	R-3 - R-7
38. Coeburn, VA - C. P. Bruce \$1.00	
39. Coeburn, VA - P. L. Kilgore & Co. (Lumber) .10 Cent	
40. Cleveland, VA - Price Bros. - 575-B5	R-5
41. Dante, VA - Clinchfield Coal Corp. Store B - 731-A10-A25	R-7-R-7
42. Dante, VA - V. I. C. & C. Co. - Dept. B - 819-A1	
43. Dorchester, VA - Wise Coal & Coke Co. - 819-H1	R-5
44. Drill, VA - Banner Raven Coal Corp. - 843-A100	R-4

15. Grandy, VA - Hopful Coal Company - 1193-A100
16. Grandy, VA - Rush Fork Commissary - 1193-B100
17. Imboden, VA - Stonea Coal & Coke Co. - 1389-A100
18. Luman, VA - V. L. C. & C. Co. Dept. F - 1403-B25
19. Jewel Ridge, VA - Jewel Ridge Coal Corp. - 1449-C1b, F50, F100, F500  
R-1, R-2, R-3, R-6
20. Jewell Valley, VA - Jewel Ridge Coal Corp. - 1451-A10  
R-4
21. Norton, VA - Hawthorne Coal & Coke Co., Inc. - 2089-L500  
R-7
22. Parrot, VA - Pulaski Anthracite Coal Co., Inc. - B100  
R-6
23. Pennington Gap, VA - King Cole Mining Corp. 2205-J100  
R-6
24. Pennington Gap, VA - Lee Coal Company, Inc. 2205-C50b  
R-5
25. Pocahontas, VA - The Pocahontas Corp. - 2255-N5a - O1 (worn)  
R-4-R-4
26. Pocahontas, VA - Pocahontas Fuel Co., Inc. - 2255-J1, I1, I5, G110  
R-4
27. Pulaski, VA - Pulaski Iron Company - 2309-C100  
R-6
28. Roseann, VA - Panther Coal Co. (Pictorial) - 2459-A5, A10, A25, A100  
R-8
29. R-2, R-3, R-3  
R-2, R-3, R-3
30. Saltville, VA - Mathieson Alkali Works, Inc. - 1 and 10 (Pitted)  
R-5
31. Steward, VA - Ruth Elkhorn Corp., Inc. - 2659-B100  
R-5
32. St. Charles, VA - The Virginia Lee Company, Inc. - 2495-V5, A50 R-3-R-7-761  
R-5
33. Swords Creek, VA - Kennedy Coal Company - 2741-A10  
R-5
34. Wakena, VA - Standard Banner Coal Corp. - 2923-B100  
R-7
35. Wilder, VA - V. L. C. & C. Co. Dept. E - 3029-A5, B10, A25  
R-7-R-7-R-7
36. Wise, VA - Yellow Creek Coal & Coke Co. - 3073-A100  
R-5
37. Carbanado, WA - Carbanado Canteen 471-C5 Cstp. (worn)  
R-5
38. Abney, WV - Abney Barrain Store A25
39. Ambersdale, WV - Ambersdale Coal Co. 81-11, K1, H5, H10, H25, H50, H100  
H500, 1500.
40. Amigo, WV - Amigo Smokeless Coal Co. - 83-F10  
R-5
41. Amigo, WV - Amigo Coal Co. - 83-A25  
R-5
42. Ashland, WV - Ashland Coal and Coke Co. - 127-B1, A10a  
R-4-R-6
43. Ansted, WV - Croft & Evans Store - 93-B25  
R-5
44. Ansted, WV - Gauley Mountain Coal Co. - 93-L10, L100, L500 R-4, R-6, R-7  
R-7
45. Aniean, WV - Leckie Smokeless Coal Co. - 91-B1, B5, B10, A25, A50, A100  
R-7
46. Amigo, WV - Malcom Supply Co. - 83-B5  
R-4
47. Arvid, WV - Weanone Coal & Coke Co. 105-B100  
R-4
48. Beckley, WV - Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine - MX-54 \$1.00 token  
R-9
49. Burch, WV - William Ann Coal Co. - 275-A100c  
R-6
50. Becco, WV - Becco Mercantile Co. - 187-A100  
R-9
51. Birchlon, WV - Birch Fork Coal Co. - 275-A100c  
R-7
52. Bower, WV - Copen Gas Coal Mines W C - 353-A1  
R-6-R-6
53. Bradv, WV - Edna Gas Coal Co. - 361-A100, A100  
R-6-R-6
54. Brenton, WV - Everett Miller General Merchandise - 5, 10, 25, 50  
R-6
55. Becklev, WV - General Stores- 189L, J1, G252, G502, H100, H500a  
R-6
56. Bellburn, WV - Greenbriar Smokeless Coal - (Pictorial) 201-B100  
R-6
57. Burnwell, WV - Imperial Colliery Co. - Pictorial 421-D5, A10b, C100  
R-6
58. R-5, R-6-R-5
59. Beards Fork, WV - Koppers Stores Division, Inc. - 177H1, I1, J1, K1b, L1, G5b, J5, Unlisted 5, G10, H100, G25, J50, G100  
R-5-R-7
60. Besco, WV - Lfcoouv Smokeless Coal Co. - 243-C1, F100, b  
R-5-R-7
61. Crane Creek, WV - American Coal Co. - 690-D1, D5, D10, D25, D60  
D100

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90. Chattaroy, WV - Buffalo Winifred Coal Co. 531-H100  
R-5
  91. Cameo, WV - Cameo Splint Coal Co. - 443-B1, B5, B10, B25, B50  
R-6
  92. Cannellton, WV - Cannellton Coal & Coke Co. - 459-E1, C1a, B5, A10, A25  
A50, C100, A500  
R-5
  93. Carbon, WV - Carbon Fuel Co., Inc. - 469-C1, C5, G25, C50, C100, C500  
R-4
  94. Careltn, WV - Carter Coal Co. - 485-C1
- THE FOLLOWING LOIS ARE FROM A KENTUCKY COLLECTOR  
AND HAVE MINIMUM BIDS (MB) UNLESS INDICATED
95. Carbon Glow, KY - Carbon Glow Mines - 475-A5 (MB-\$50.00) R-10
  96. " " " " - 475-A50 Some wear (MB-\$50.00) R-10
  97. " " " " - 475-C25 (MB-\$50.00) R-10
  98. " " " " - 475-D100 (MB-\$40.00) R-9
  99. Cardinal, KY - Ky. Cardinal Coal Corp. - 483-A10 Some Wear (MB-\$20.00) R-8
  100. Carv, KY - Straight Creek Coal Mining Co. - 499-D10 (MB-\$20.00) R-8
  101. Chevrolet, KY - Crown Coal Company - 541-A25 (MB-\$15.00) R-8
  102. Clemons, KY - Clemons Coal Company - 571-A100 (MB-\$30.00) R-9
  103. Combs, KY - Sunfire Coal Co. - 645-A10 (MB-\$30.00) R-9
  104. Diablock, KY - John P. Gorman Coal Co. - 787-F10 (MB-\$60.00) Unlisted
  105. Dorlon, KY - New Elkhorn Coal Co. - 825-C25 (MB-\$12.00) R-7
  106. Dowlais, KY - East Tenn. Coal Co. (weak obverse) (MB-\$35.00) R-9
  107. Drift, KY - Stumbo Reland Store - 841-A50 (MB-\$20.00) R-9
  108. Drift, KY - Turner Elkhorn Coal Co. - 841-F10B (MB-\$30.00) 1 of 2 known  
R-6
  109. Drift, KY - Stallard Elkhorn Coal Co. - 841-G100 (MB-\$20.00) R-6
  110. Drift, KY - C. L. Senters - Beaver Coal & Mining - 841-H100 wear  
R-6
  111. Drift, KY - Ernest Turner - 841-I series set with al Var. - (MB-\$40.00) R-6
  112. Dunham, KY - Consolidation Coal Company, Inc. - 851-A10 (MB-\$15.00) R-9
  113. East Bernsladt, KY - T. P. Watkins - 867-C5 - (MB-\$15.00) R-8
  114. Elk Valley, KY - The Sunrise Coal Co. - 905-A1 (MB-\$15.00) R-8
  115. Everts, KY - Harlan Co-Operative Coal Co., Inc. (MB-\$20.00) R-8
  116. Henry Clay, KY - Edgewater Coal Co., Inc. - 1299-A5 (MB-\$40.00) R-9
  117. High Splint, KY - High Splint Coal Co. - 1323-A100 (MB-\$30.00) R-9
  118. Kirts, KY - Clover Fork Coal Co. - 1535-A100  
R-7
  119. McGarr, KY - Alma By-Products Coal Co. 1835-F50  
R-6
  120. McRoberts, KY - The Consolidation Coal Company, Inc. 1855-A10 (MB-\$20.00) R-10
  121. Middleboro, KY - Kv-Tenn. Coal Corp. 1897-K50 (MB-\$25.00) R-8
  122. Pine Knot, KY - Bryant Bros. 2228-B10 (MB-\$35.00) R-9
  123. Pine Knot, KY - " " variation from book and (MB-\$50.00) UNLISTED
  124. Pine Knot, KY - Bryant Bros. - 2228-B25 (MB-\$50.00) UNLISTED
  125. Pine Knot, KY - Bryant Bros. - 2228-B50 (MB-\$50.00) UNLISTED
  126. Pinson Fork, KY - Marietta Coal Co. - 2235-A100 (MB-\$30.00) R-9
  127. Stone, KY - Eastern Coal Corporation - 2677-J100 (MB-\$25.00) R-7
  128. Thornton, KY - Willie Lucas - 2785-A25 (MB-\$50.00) UNLISTED
  129. Vance, KY - Harlan Fuel - 3109-A50 (MB-\$35.00) "Little rough" R-10
  130. A rare Ky. Time Check - Semet-Solvay Co. (Henry Clay) (MB-\$20.00) R-10
  131. Seaboard, VA - Carter Coal Co. - 2543-B100 (MB-\$67.00) RARE UNLISTED
  132. Virginia Unlisted Boons Path M. N. Rowlett (Lee County) (MB-\$29.00) R-10
  133. Virginia, Cavalor J. S. Willis - GR251MO Unlisted (MB-\$29.00) R-10
  134. Tennessee lot - 2 2461-B5, 1 B10, B50. Plus Free token (MB-\$10.00) R-10

END OF KENTUCKY COLLECTORS CONSIGNMENTS

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135.	10 Different Coal Pennies - All R-5	Minimum Bid \$10.00	
136.	SAME AS LOT 137		
137.	SAME AS LOT 137		
138.	SAME AS LOT 137		
139.	SAME AS LOT 137		
140.	5 Different Pennies (4 R-2's and 1 TN R-7)	Minimum Bid \$10.00	
141.	6 Different WV Pennies (All R-4's)	Minimum Bid \$13.00	
142.	SAME AS LOT 143		
143.	39 Different Coal Tokens, including 1 merchant and 1 \$5.00 MB	\$40.00	
144.	9 Different WV Pennies with 1 merchant (R1-R-5)	Minimum Bid \$10.00	
145.	10 Identical WV Pennies (WV2355a)	Minimum Bid \$10.00	
146.	10 Different Coal Pennies (R1-R8)	Minimum Bid \$10.00	
147.	SAME AS LOT 148		
148.	UT Exploder C. E. S. Co. No. 1 Hiawatha	C 25	R-A 3
149.	SAME AS LOT 150		
150.	UT Exploder C. E. S. Co. No. 1 Hiawatha	C26	R-A
151.	SAME AS LOT 152		
152.	WV Exploder Carter Coal Co. - CAP CHECK	C65	R-B 3-6

## ITEMS FOR SALE OR TRADE

1. Nathan Carbide Cap lamp. Very rare and one of two known. Best Offer.
2. Two ITP Carbide Cap lamps. Best Offer.
3. Justrite No. 100, Carbide lamp. In wooden dovetail box, with extra bottom and Lid. Marked "Boy Scout Camp Lamp." Best Offer.
4. 31 different Illinois UMWA local badges. Trade only for badges I need for my collection.
5. Two Western Federation of Miners Union badges. these come from Castle, Mont., and are dated February 3, 1898. Extremely rare. Best offer.

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